Spinning the Globe

By Ben Green
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Spinning the Globe by Ben Green is Basketball Before Wilt Chamberlain, Bill Russell, Julius Erving, or Michael Jordan--before Magic Johnson and Showtime--the Harlem Globetrotters revolutionized basketball and spread the game around the world. In Spinning the Globe, author Ben Green tells the story of this extraordinary franchise and iconic American institution. We follow the Globetrotters' rise from backwoods obscurity during the harsh years of the Great Depression to become the best basketball team in the country and, by the early 1950s, the most popular sports franchise in the world. Green brings to life their struggles with racism and segregation, and their influence upon a nation's views about race and sport. We witness the Globetrotters' fall from grace to the brink of bankruptcy in the early 1990s, and their ultimate rebirth under Mannie Jackson today, as they once again amaze kids and families around the world. Now in paperback, this is the true and complete story of their amazing eighty years as a team, told with lyrical prose and masterful storytelling by Ben Green.

More Recommended Books

The Leftovers: Basketball, Betrayal, Baylor and Beyond

By : Matt Sayman

“I love a good comeback story and this one has it all.” – Tony Romo, Dallas Cowboys Quarterback

“This beautifully written story is about the fight and determination they showed to help create the highest of standards for our men’s basketball program.” – Kim Mulkey, Head Coach Baylor Women’s Basketball

“... a moving story of personal redemption and an eyewitness account of the beginning of one of the sport’s greatest success stories ever.” – Fran Fraschilla, ESPN Analyst

Accusations, attempted cover-ups and betrayal surrounded the summer of 2003 ending with the disintegration of a rising basketball program. Those events ripped my life apart. Playing basketball for Baylor University was the realization of a lifelong dream. But I could have never foreseen the devastation that would rock our foundation. Coach Scott Drew took over a broken program and his vision of “hope in the future” was hard to swallow. Yet, in the midst of so much pain, a miracle happened. Our brotherhood of “Leftovers” banded together. We were considered the underdogs, yet that didn’t deter our desire to play. As co-captain of that team, I tell a story of tragedy, personal struggle, anger, shaken faith and perseverance. Surprisingly, I learned that we inspired our university, community and nation. The Leftovers is the story behind that story.
Relentless

By: Tim S Grover
For more than two decades, legendary trainer Tim Grover has taken the greats—Michael Jordan, Kobe Bryant, Dwyane Wade, and hundreds of relentless competitors in sports, business, and every walk of life—and made them greater. Now, for the first time ever, he reveals what it takes to achieve total mental and physical dominance, showing you how to be relentless and achieve whatever you desire. Direct, blunt, and brutally honest, Grover breaks down what it takes to be unstoppable: you keep going when everyone else is giving up, you thrive under pressure, you never let your emotions make you weak. In “The Relentless 13,” he details the essential traits shared by the most intense competitors and achievers in sports, business, and all walks of life. Relentless shows you how to trust your instincts and get in the Zone; how to control and adapt to any situation; how to find your opponent’s weakness and attack. Grover gives you the same advice he gives his world-class clients—“don’t think”—and shows you that anything is possible. Packed with previously untold stories and unparalleled insight into the psyches of the most successful and accomplished athletes of our time, Relentless shows you how even the best get better... and how you can too.

Manuale di esercizi di pallacanestro

By: Daniele Tardiolo
MANUALE DI ESERCIZI DI PALLACANESTRO - 120 esercizi validi dall’Under15 alle prime squadre vuole essere un manuale pratico, efficace, facile da consultare a disposizione di tutti gli allenatori di pallacanestro che lavorano sia con le categorie giovanili, sia con le prime squadre, maschili e femminili. Ogni esercizio e’ spiegato ed illustrato dettagliatamente. PREFAZIONE DI COACH GAETANO GEBBIA.

Basket Drills Handbook

By: Daniele Tardiolo
During the ‘80s, when my generation of coaches was being initiated to this career, drills were invested of excessive importance: the challenge was that of finding, or creating, the most spectacular, choreographic drills. e more complex the drill, the more, it seemed, it was able to satisfy our didactic aims, with the result that more time was spent explaining and adjusting the drill itself rather than training in the skills said drill was supposed to improve. Indeed, we often talked about ‘the drills of this or that coach’, as opposed to their basketball philosophy, in a way almost giving a great significance to the box while none to its content. It took us a long time to realise that drills are a mere tool in the hands of the coach, and not an end in themselves. Instead, our end should be the teaching of the game, and, so, thankfully, we have shifted from choreographic drills to functional ones, drawn from the game itself and made simple and adequate to the development of certain didactic objectives. Thus, we welcome this handbook created by coach Daniele Tardiolo. It gathers, in a well-structured manner, drills responding to the needs of the coach, and adds value to the drill as a tool available to all coaches, both seasoned and inexperienced. It is not the choice of a drill to make a coach better, or more successful, but, rather, this or her ability to adapt it and use it appropriately. After all, coaches are much like five-star chefs, who can prepare delicious dishes with just a few, genuine ingredients. Coach Tardiolo’s book provides the ingredients, leaving to the readers the freedom to choose their favourite recipe.

100 Things Thunder Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die

By: Darnell Mayberry
Most Oklahoma City Thunder fans have taken in a game or two at the Chesapeake Energy Arena and have cheered the team on through its string of dynamic playoff appearances. But only real fans
watched the debut of a young Russell Westbrook or know the full story behind Kevin Durant's sudden "Mr. Unreliable" moniker. 100 Things Thunder Fans Should Know & Do Before They Die is the ultimate resource for true fans of the Oklahoma City Thunder. OKC sportswriter Darnell Mayberry has collected every essential piece of Thunder knowledge and trivia, as well as must-do activities, and ranks them all from 1 to 100, providing an entertaining and easy-to-follow checklist as you progress on your way to fan superstardom.

**A canestro!**

By: **Idan Ravin**

«Idan mi ha mostrato l’importanza della resistenza e della determinazione, e a sfruttare tutte le opportunità.» Stephen Curry Come fa un avvocato a diventare uno dei trainer più amati dalle star della NBA? Idan Ravin ha trasformato la sua passione per la pallacanestro in una professione che gli ha permesso di lavorare al fianco di campioni come Chris Paul, Carmelo Anthony, LeBron James, Stephen Curry, Kevin Durant, J.R. Smith, Dwight Howard, Gilbert Arenas, Blake Griffin e molti altri. In A canestro ripercorre la sua originale storia di successo e lo stretto rapporto nato con i giocatori che ha aiutato a diventare migliori. Anche un ragazzo timido e riservato può diventare uomo e condividere il campo da basket con i campioni della NBA. In che modo? Grazie all’amore per il Gioco. Idan Ravin non ha mai fatto il coach in un college americano o tra i professionisti, ma l’impegno, la dedizione e una passione fuori dal comune per la pallacanestro lo hanno trasformato in un trainer che alcuni tra i migliori giocatori della Lega americana hanno voluto al proprio fianco per migliorare la tecnica individuale e sviluppare il potenziale inespresso. Attraverso aneddoti curiosi, esperienze personali e moderne filosofie di allenamento, A canestro si dimostra un libro esemplare e unico su come lo sport possa cambiare la vita di ognuno di noi e trasformarci nelle persone che sogniamo di essere.

**I Should Be Dead By Now**

By: **Dennis Rodman & Jack Isenhour**

Whether it was helping Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls win three consecutive NBA titles in the 1990s, or showing up to a book signing in a dress and full makeup, Dennis Rodman has always distinguished himself as one of the great and most polarizing personalities in the sports world. The controversial and flamboyant former basketball star is back in the national spotlight once again with I Should Be Dead By Now. This riveting book from the two-time best-selling author details Rodman’s struggles in life since he stopped playing in the NBA, including the breakup of his marriage to movie and TV star Carmen Electra, and his problems with alcohol. I Should Be Dead By Now is a look at the life of one of America’s most recognizable sports stars as he journeys beyond the court and into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame.

**Basketball Fundamentals**

By: **Jay Mikes**

In Basketball FundaMENTALs: A Complete Mental Training Guide, author, Jay Mikes, introduces you to the mental fundamentals of basketball by focusing on the Three Cs of Peak Performance—Concentration, Confidence and Composure. By combining the expertise and wisdom of top coaches, star athletes, psychologists, and educators, Basketball FundaMENTALs is designed to meet the following objectives: 1. To develop your power of concentration on the court. Learn the proper focus of attention for each phase of the game—shooting, ball handling, defense, and rebounding. 2. To teach you how to relax and maintain your composure on the court. Develop habits that will help you overcome pressure, play at optimum intensity, and let your body and mind work in harmony. 3. To help you to develop the essential quality of true confidence enabling you to become a clutch performer. Learn to control your mind and body when the game is on the line. FOREWORD by
Hall of Fame Coach RAY MEYER

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**Court Justice**

By: Ed O’bannon & Michael McCann

“Like Curt Flood and Oscar Robertson, who paved the way for free agency in sports, Ed O’Bannon decided there was a principle at stake... O’Bannon gave the movement to reform college sports... passion and purpose, animated by righteous indignation.” —Jeremy Schaap, ESPN journalist and New York Times bestselling author

In 2009, Ed O’Bannon, once a star for the 1995 NCAA Champion UCLA Bruins and a first-round NBA draft pick, thought he’d made peace with the NCAA’s exploitive system of “amateurism.” College athletes generated huge profits, yet—training nearly full-time, forced to tailor coursework around sports, often pawns in corrupt investigations—they saw little from those riches other than revocable scholarships and miniscule chances of going pro. Still, that was all in O’Bannon’s past... until he saw the video game NCAA Basketball 09. As avatars of their college selves—their likenesses, achievements, and playing styles—O’Bannon and his teammates were still making money for the NCAA. So, when asked to fight the system for players past, present, and future—and seeking no personal financial reward, but rather the chance to make college sports more fair—he agreed to be the face of what became a landmark class-action lawsuit. Court Justice brings readers to the front lines of a critical battle in the long fight for players’ rights while also offering O’Bannon’s unique perspective on today’s NCAA recruiting scandals. From the basketball court to the court of law facing NCAA executives, athletic directors, and “expert” witnesses; and finally to his innovative ideas for reform, O’Bannon breaks down history’s most important victory yet against the inequitable model of multi-billion-dollar “amateur” sports.

**Kevin Durant**

By: Belmont & Belcourt Biographies

Kevin Durant is a star on the rise. A six-foot, nine-inch small forward, Durant has worked his way into an elite class of NBA all-stars. The 2008 Rookie of the Year led the league in scoring in the 2009-10 season and was the youngest player ever to win the NBA scoring title. This biography explores Durant’s upbringing, his high school and college basketball careers, and details his breakthrough into the NBA, all the way through the conclusion of the 2014-2015 season. From family to basketball to the future, all you need to know about Kevin Durant is right here, right now, in the most up-to-date coverage of Kevin Durant’s life. This book also includes all of Kevin Durant’s college and professional statistics.
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